

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed on **24 October 2006**, the Examiner reviewed claims 1-28. Claims 1-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Provino et al (USPN 6,535,929, hereinafter “Provino”).

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Independent claims 1, 11, and 20 were rejected as being anticipated by Provino. Applicant respectfully points out that Provino teaches allowing application programs of different memory addressing modes to communicate with one another through **a common device interface that is shared by the multiple applications** (see Provino, FIG. 3, col. 2, lines 31-59, and col. 5, lines 27-34).

In contrast, the present invention describes using a universal contextual interface **exclusively associated with a specific device** to facilitate contextual data of the specific device to be communicated between the specific device and another device (see FIG. 3, and paragraphs [0026] and [0027] of the instant application). Hence, a universal contextual interface is **not** a common interface shared by multiple devices. In other words, the instant application teaches using a specific contextual interface for each specific device. Applicant respectfully submits that there is nothing within Provino that teaches that a device interface is specific to one application or one device.

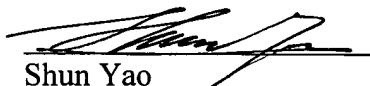
Examiner points out in the instant office action that the limitation, “a universal contextual interface is particular to a specific device,” is not recited into the claims. Applicant fully acknowledges Examiner’s argument, and has amended independent claims 1, 11, and 20 to include the limitation that the present invention provides a universal contextual interface that is particular to a specific device. These amendments find support in FIG. 3, and paragraphs [0026] and [0027] of the instant application. No new matter has been added.

Hence, Applicant respectfully submits that independent claims 1, 11, and 20 as presently amended are in condition for allowance. Applicant also submits that claims 2-10, which depend upon claim 1, claims 12-19, which depend upon claim 11, and claims 21-28, which depend upon claim 20, are for the same reasons in condition for allowance and for reasons of the unique combinations recited in such claims.

CONCLUSION

It is submitted that the present application is presently in form for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

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